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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

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1. I LOOK FORWARD TO PARTICIPATING IN NOVEMBER 24-26 CHIEFS OF MISSION MEETING. I ALSO HOPE TO GET IN SOME CONSULTATION TIME PRIOR TO THE CONFERENCE, AND SOME ANNUAL LEAVE OVER THE LONG THANKSGIVING WEEKEND.

2. YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES CERTAINLY KNOW THE WHOLE RANGE OF PROBLEMS CONFRONTING US IN THE HEMISPHERE. NEVERTHELESS IN PREPARING THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING I WOULD HOPE YOU WOULD CONSIDER INCLUSION OF THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

A. WHERE WE ARE GOING ON OUR REGIONAL (AND WORLD-WIDE) EXPROPRIATIONS POLICIES. OBVIOUSLY THE "VENEZUELA FORMULA" MUST FIGURE IMPORTANTLY IN THIS DISCUSSION. MOREOVER, AL FISHLOW ET AL. ARE NO DOUBT LEARNING (AS I AM) A FEW NEW WRINKLES ON EVALUATION METHODOLOGIES AS APPLIED IN THE MARCONA CASE. IN SHORT, NEW GROUND IS BEING PLOWED IN THE AREA OF COMPENSATION FOR EXPROPRIATED PROPERTIES.

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B. WHAT IS LEFT OF THE CIVIL AVIATION "RULES OF THE GAME"

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OF THE MID-1940'S, AND WHAT WE SHOULD REALISTICALLY STRIVE FOR HENCEFORTH IN OUR MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS.

C. WHETHER OR NOT WE ARE TO TAKE REGIONAL DISARMAMENT INITIATIVES SERIOUSLY, AND WHAT IF ANYTHING WE SHOULD DO TO ENCOURAGE THEM. A COMPANION TOPIC WOULD BE OUR POLIVESS# TOWARD AREAS OF POTENTIAL POLITICAL/MILITARY TENSIONS IN ORDER TO AVERT OR CONTAIN SUCH PROBLEMS.

D. WHAT IS ANYTHING WE USEFULLY COULD DO TO DEFUSE THE IMPENDING REGION-WIDE FRICTIONS OVER RULES FOR (1) COMPORTMENT OF TNE'S AND (2) SPREAD OF TECHNOLOGY. EVEN A DISCUSSION OF SUITABLE FORA FOR SUCH TOPICS MIGHT BE REVEALING, GIVEN THE LIMITATIONS ON OUR ABILITY TO INFLUENCE EITHER THE FORA OR THE CONTENT OF THE DISCUSSIONS ON THESE TWO SUBJECTS.

E. ON A MORE GENERAL PLANE, WHAT DO WE SEE AS AMERICA'S FUTURE ROLE IN LA--WILL THERE BE A DIMINISHED PRESENCE, REDUCED ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, AND EMPHASIS ON TRADITIONAL DIPLOMATIC AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS? WILL WE BE ENGAGED IN HOLDING, REAR-GUARD ACTIONS, OR CAN WE (AND CAN WE AFFORD TO) BE MORE ASSERTIVE THAN WE HAVE BEEN IN THE LAST FEW YEARS IN PRESSING OUR CASE IN MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH LA COUNTRIES?

F. AS SEEN FROM "REVOLUTIONARY" PERU, THE THIRD-WORLD AND NAC MOVEMENT CONTNNUE TO PORTRAY CONSIDERABLE FORWARD MOMENTUM. REGIONALLY, PARTICIPATION IN SELA AND THE RAW MATERIALS CARTELS INCREASINGLY CONSTITUTE THE OBJECTIVES AND SUBSTANCE OF LA NATIONS' ECONOMIC POLICIES. HOW WE REACT AND ADAPT TO THESE CURRENTS IN LA THOUGH AND ACTION IS, I EXPECT, WORTHY OF INCLUSION ON THE MEETING AGENDA.

3. NO DOUBT MANY MORE TOPICS WILL COME TO MIND AS YOU PREPARE FOR THE MEETING. WITH THE MANY CHANGES CURRENTLY UNDER WAY IN THE LATINOS' VIEW OF THEMSELVES AND OF THEIR PLACE IN THE SUN, THIS IS CERTAINLY A SUITABLE TIME FOR OUR REVIEWING THE PREMISES AND ALTERNATIVES OPEN TO US IN US-LA RELATIONS.
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